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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 1997 15:06:40 -0600

From: w5hvv@aeneas.net (Roderick M. Fitz-Randolph)

Subject: Re: wierd CW tonight

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Bob, comments like this only tend to make a struggling CW-er extremely embarrassed over his lack of sending skills and is likely to cause him to cease his efforts. That isn't what I think we should be doing. The individual may be physically handicapped or he may be just trying to join in the fun for the first or second time. Please don't discourage aspiring CW ops. Most of us didn't have keyboards that sent perfect code for us when we started and I am sure a lot of us that now have some sending skills started out the same way. Please encourage all the newcomers to the art of sending good code.

Rod, N5HV  
w5hvv@aeneas.net

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 1997 13:34:32 -0800 (PST)

From: Ken Gordon <keng@uidaho.edu>

Subject: 813 xtal osc...

Bob:

I went to the U. of I. library and asked for their 1938 QST magazines. They had been bound, and ALL the rear covers had been removed!!!! Rats!!!!

So could you, or some other kind soul here, mail me a 150% blown up copy of that 813 crystal oscillator transmitter from the RCA ad you mentioned about 6 months ago?

As I remember it, you said it was on the back cover of 1937,38, or 39 QST magazines in miniature in the RCA ad.

Address below on the left.

Kenneth G. Gordon W7EKB  
226 N. Washington St.  
Moscow, Idaho 83843  
(208)-882-8745

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 1997 17:01:19 -0500 (EST)  
**From:** leel@digital.net  
**Subject:** add change

Hi Gang  
Am finally back, changed servers (what a hassle).  
new add leel@digital .net  
Anybody trying to email me since the first of the month,  
I probabably did not get it pse resend.

NOW IS THIS ALL DO TO NOT NOTIFY GLOBUGS LIST OWNER OF NEW ADD?

Thank the good LORD for all that you have!!!

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 1997 13:51:31 -1000  
**From:** Peter Demmer <ampruss@hits.net>  
**Subject:** Re: wierd CW tonight

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Good message to all of us. Thanks Rod and you too Bob for getting this discussion started and rolling. It was an up hill climb for me too and I recall a fellow calling me long distance to work with me. We all needed a push to reach the top of the hill so we could realize the speed and fun we had getting down to the bottom of the bands. Good Job guys, es Aloha, Peter KH6CTQ

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Date: Tue, 11 Nov 1997 18:48:28 -0600 (CST)  
From: Dave <nyet@ix.netcom.com>  
Subject: On bad fists...

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Just my 2 cents...

A while back I called CQ on 40 meters and a fellow in California with a strong signal came back to me. He had an AWFUL fist, but I gave it my very best shot and got most of what he sent, and asked him to repeat the rest. We worked at this for almost an hour, and I never mentioned his terrible sending (dits and dahs of almost the same length, and space between words and letters the same). We actually chatted about alot of things. We parted ways, and as always I sent a QSL.

When his card arrived, a short note was attached written in a very difficult-to-read hand. He expressed his gratitude at my willingness to carry on a QSO, and that since his stroke, he had had almost no CW QSO's - most ended in minutes with 'QRM bad hr OM - best of 73's'. He felt like now he could still enjoy his hobby, and my hour long QSO gave him the encouragement he needed to keep on trying.

I kept that letter, which I received when I was 14 years old, back in my novice

days in 1975 as WN7AWK. I recall it every time I hear a bad fist on the air...

There but for the Grace of God go we.

Take care and 73

Dave WB7AWK  
Tacoma, WA

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 06:41:28 +0000  
From: Sandy W5TVW <ebjr@worldnet.att.net>  
Subject: Misc Stuff

Howdy gang!

I have two items to move. A Hewlett-Packard 415 and 416 signal generators.  
One is operational (or was!) one isn't. The one that works goes from about 750-1500 Mhz. The one that doesn't from about 1.2-4.4 Ghz. FREE for PICKUP only. Shipping will be expensive as they are heavy.

I am looking for a TRUE boatanchor! I'd like to find a Navy RAL receiver less power supply, preferably within driving distance of New Orleans. (200 miles or less?) I have some contacts in Houston that may be able to transport to here. Any out there laying dusty under a bench?

I still have a Hallicrafters SX-71 in pretty fair working condition to sell.  
It is cosmetically at least an "8", and all original knobs. This is the black-faced variety with bandspread calibrated for 80/40/20/10 and 6 meters. \$120 plus the shipping.

73,  
E. V. Sandy Blaize, W5TVW  
"Boat Anchors collected, restored, repaired, traded and used!"  
417 Ridgewood Drive  
Metairie, LA., 70001

\*\*860 Hartley 'ECO' under construction\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* Looking for a TRC-10 transceiver \*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* looking for an RAL receiver \*\*\*\*\*

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 10:16:30 +0100  
From: Jan Axing <janax@algonet.se>  
Subject: Re: A very low voltage regenny [fixed]

Ahem, hello... as many of you pointed out...

Sorry guys and gals, my local hard drive is not available to the net and the URL pointed there so I did not see anything wrong.  
Found a bug in Frontpage97, \*\*\*\* (insert four letter word of your choice)

I have fixed the page, please try again.

Jan

Jan Axing wrote:

>  
> I have put up a new page at my site with a 2 tube regenny which works  
> with a 3V and a 4.5V battery. It features 2 6C6 pentodes in a strange  
> circuit where the supressor grid is used as the control grid, the 2  
> other grids are connected to B+.  
>  
> Point a nutscape or something at:  
> <http://www.algonet.se/~janax/lvregen.htm>  
>  
> Enjoy!  
> Jan, SM5GNN

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 09:08:55 -0500 (EST)

From: EWoodman@aol.com

Subject: Weskit BN-1 Transmitter/Receiver

I was doing a little Web surfing this morning while having my coffee and came across a really neat little rig. The best part was that the schematic was shown as well as a picture and description. It's a Weskit BN-1 transmitter/receiver. It uses one tube, a little 3A5 dual triode. It's a crystal oscillator and regen receiver in a box. Would be a great little rig for camping, travelling, a boring trip to visit the in-laws, etc.

It was on a page put up by Sheldon Wheaton, KC0CW.

<http://www.sky.net/~swheaton/bn1.html>

Who knows, might even be adapted to use a little larger dual-triode.....6SN7 or maybe a 6CG7 miniature? Might even be a good group project.

73 Eric KA1YRV

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 10:35:48 -0600

From: "Harley L. Miller" <hmliller@sound.net>

Subject: Boatanchors FS

I am posting this for a friend. He has several good old boatanchors for sale as follows:

List of Receivers: Hallicrafters S-38, S-120  
Hallicrafters SX-71 (w/small spkr),

SX-140 (w/small spkr)

Hammarlund HQ-170 (w/matching spkr)  
Hammarlund HQ-120  
Lafayette HA-50, HA-225

List of Xmtrs/Xcvrs: Globe Chief Deluxe

Hallicrafters HT-18  
Heath DX-60 (w/VFO), HW-101 (w/ps)  
Johnson Ranger  
Kenwood Twins (599R and 599T)  
National NCX-3 (w/ps)  
Swan 350C (w/ps)  
Tempo I (W/PS)  
WRL "Globetrotter"

Address to write is: Fred Hoofer,

205 E. 4th Street  
Neligh, Ne. 68756

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Harley L. Miller      hmliller@sound.net  
WB0ROQ

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 10:13:55 -0800 (PST)

From: "Tom R. Rice" <tomrice@netcom.com>

Subject: a note regarding B supplies.....

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One possible cause for many of the problems experienced  
in making these little radios go is a lack of adequate  
bypassing of the B+ supply.

Insofar as the \_signal\_ is concerned, both B+ and  
ground should be at the same potential, e.g., RF ground.

Many power supplies, especially batteries, do not  
exhibit a low impedance at audio or higher frequencies,  
so it's good practice to heavily bypass the B+ rail  
with two condensers in parallel, one being a big  
electrolytic and the other being something with  
better RF characteristics, say a .01 mf disk.

73 de WB6BYH

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"Start off every day with a smile and get it over with." --W.C.Fields  
Tom R. Rice  
tomrice@netcom.com

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Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 16:08:37 -0500 (EST)

**From: leel@digital.net**  
**Subject: need info**

am changing servers,  
need email add change proceedure

have not heard anything on add change and not getting mail.  
new add is leel@digital .net  
old add was leeboo@ct.net

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